

LOWER RETAIL PRICES IN SIGHT

Slump in Trade To Aid Consumer, Experts Predict

By JOHN COLLINS

Lower prices to the consumer will be one of the ultimate effects of a business readjustment already under way, say some of the pulse feelers observing the body economic. There is disagreement, however, on the probable extent of the readjustment.

Among those steering a middle course is Dr. Lewis H. Haney, head of the New York University Bureau of Business Research, who asserts that a further moderate recession will continue for a period of at least three months.

"New building contracts, measured in floor space," explains Dr. Haney, "actually decreased 2.8 per cent., from September. Lettings of structural steel have fallen to a low level."

Auto Trade Slumping

"The automobile industry is on the down grade, as shown by reduced employment, decreased ordering of steel by producers of motor cars, and over-large stocks of new cars in dealers' hands."

"Most agricultural prices continue to decline. This is reflected in the failure of mail order sales to register the usual large October gain. The two Chicago houses reported sales which were only 24 per cent. larger than September, although the normal increase is 36 per cent."

Gain in Failures

"The number of business failures in October was large and increased more than usual for the season."

"It is notable that while city dwellers continue to show large purchasing power, the farmers are more poorly situated, particularly in the cotton and spring wheat areas."

"The coal situation is clearly temporary and will probably result in over-production and a fall in prices, and this will also affect pig iron, which is now being produced in excess of requirements."

Public Hearing Set for Bridge To Span Hudson

Another step in the plans for the building of the Hudson River Bridge, urged by The GRAPHIC as a relief for over-population, will take place at 10 a. m., December 2, when the application of the Port of New York Authority for the construction of the bridge from the vicinity of 178th Street, Manhattan, to Fort Lee, N. J., will be considered at a public hearing at 75 West St., New York city.

Interested persons are invited to be present, especially those whose business will be affected by the bridge. This includes city and county officials and representatives of navigation companies. Written statements should be submitted.

Plans submitted by the Port of New York Authority show a fixed bridge, suspension type, with no piers channelward of the established harbor lines, with minimum vertical clearances 195 feet above the mean high water at the shores and five feet higher in the center.

7 Dead, 2 Injured, In British Wreck

LONDON, Nov. 19 (By U. P.)—The Birmingham express was wrecked today near Rotherham.

Seven are reported killed and two injured. Three coaches were smashed.

STOCK MARKET BAROMETER

Prev.	Stock.	Open	2.30	Chg.	Net
131 1/2	Al Chem	132 1/2	133	+ 1 1/2	
52 1/2	Am Can	52 1/2	52	- 1/4	
107 1/2	Am Loco	108 3/4	109	+ 1 1/2	
135 1/2	Am Smelt	135 1/2	135 1/2	+ 1/2	
31 1/2	Am Wool	32 1/2	32 1/2	+ 5/8	
154 1/2	Atchison	154 1/2	154 1/2	- 1/8	
136 3/4	Baldwin	137 1/2	140 1/4	+ 3 1/2	
68 1/2	B M T	68 1/2	69 1/2	+ 1/2	
44 1/2	Beth Steel	44 1/2	44 1/2	+ 1/2	
164	Ches & O	164 1/2	164		
67 1/2	C R I & P.	67 1/2	67 1/2		
36	Chrysler	35 1/2	35 1/2	- 3/8	
109	Con Gas	108 1/2	109		
166	Du Pont	165 1/2	165 1/2	- 1/4	
115 1/2	Fam Play	115 1/2	115 1/2	+ 1/2	
48	Fleischm'n	48	48 1/2	+ 1/2	
30 1/2	Free Tex	30 1/2	30 1/2	- 1/4	
147 1/2	*Gen Mot	142	141 1/2	- 6 1/2	
84 1/2	Gen Elec	84 1/2	84 1/2	- 1/2	
44	Hud Mot	43 1/2	44		
39 1/2	In C Eng	39 1/2	40	+ 1/2	
37 1/2	In Nickel	37	37 1/2		
63 1/2	Kenn Cop	63 1/2	63 1/2		
20 1/2	Lago Oil	20 1/2	20 1/2	- 1/4	
54 1/2	Kresge	54 1/2	54 1/2		
53 1/2	Marl Oil	53 1/2	53 1/2	+ 1/2	
65 1/2	Mont Ward	65 1/2	64 1/2	- 1 1/2	
136 1/2	N Y Cent	136 1/2	136	- 1/2	
49 1/2	No Amer	49 1/2	49 1/2	- 1/2	
62 1/2	P A Pet B	62 1/2	62 1/2	+ 3/4	
22	Pierce Ar.	21 1/2	21 1/2	- 5/8	
60	Radio Cor	60 1/2	60 1/2	+ 7/8	
40 1/2	Std Oil NJ	40 1/2	39 1/2	- 1	
49 1/2	Studebak'r	49 1/2	49 1/2	+ 1/2	
48 1/2	Tex G Sul	48 1/2	49 1/2	+ 5/8	
76 1/2	U S In Alg	76 1/2	77	+ 1/2	
58 1/2	U S Rub	59	58 1/2	- 1/2	
145 1/2	U S Steel	146	146	+ 1/2	
46 1/2	War Pic A	46 1/2	47	+ 1/2	
20 1/2	Willys Ov.	20 1/2	20 1/2		
187 1/2	Woolwth	189	188 1/2	+ 7/8	

*Ex-dividend.

Hall Killing Laid To Personal Devil

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through the personal passion of irresponsible soldiers, but as a result of military orders, in order that terror might be struck into the hearts of the people in invaded lands. Think of all this unspeakable nightmare of shame, sin and hellish horror, and then ask yourself, Did man do this? Are such deeds native to the human race? Is this the climax of our much lauded evolution?

If these things came thus from man, then I am ready to despair of the human race and of all life upon this planet. If here in the twentieth century, after all these ages of education, and despite our science and our art, our philosophy and our religion, our culture and our supposed character; if, despite all of these things, these infamies have thus come upon the world as a natural result of human forces, then, I say, there is no hope for the future.

Sees "Diabolical Forces"

But they have not so come. The forces of infamy and wrong let loose in the late war, and in the Hall-Mills case, were not human forces but diabolical forces.

Jesus Christ said, in accounting for the presence of evil in the world, "an enemy hath done this." The only reasonable ground for optimism is to accept and believe His teachings. If these awful wrongs are native to man, then there is no hope for the future of the human race.

The only solid ground for hope is to believe that the devil, the great enemy of God and man, inspires, promotes and directs all such things; and since he is an outside enemy, he can be resisted and, through the power of the indwelling Christ, defeated and put to rout despite all of his power, subtlety and deceit.

Don't miss Dr. Stratton's startling analysis of the Hall-Mills trial every day exclusively in The GRAPHIC.

MORRIS 8, EVANDER 0

Morris High won the Bronx high school football championship yesterday when it defeated Evander Childs 8-0 at the Polo Grounds.

John Dos Passos Finds Sacco Wanting Action

John Dos Passos, noted author and playwright, assigned by The GRAPHIC to interview Bartolomeo Vanzetti and Nicola Sacco, whose sentence to death in Massachusetts has aroused world-wide interest and whipped up a storm of protest against execution of the two Italian workers, today presents an account of his meeting with Sacco in prison. The author's talk with Vanzetti was printed in yesterday's GRAPHIC.

By JOHN DOS PASSOS

It was meal time when I went to see Sacco. The other prisoners filed by us as we



John Dos Passos

sat on the bench talking, young men mostly, walking heavily with their hands in their armpits.

Dedham Jail is a model jail, a bright, clean, polished birdcage. Through the bars you can see trees and the sky and clouds.

Sacco had been six and a half years in Dedham Jail and six and a half years in a cell twenty-three hours a day and six and a half years of walking in a file with his hands in his armpits.

A prisoner waiting sentence is given no work to do. The only break was when he was sent to the State Hospital for the Insane, when he collapsed after a thirty-one-day hunger strike.

"I don't care how it ends, if it only would end," he says.

They had told me that Sacco was broken by the ordeal; but not at all. He still is able to laugh and joke and tell stories. There still is an occasional flush of color in his waxy prison cheeks. We talked about how amazing was the amount of agony a man could stand; a dog under the same conditions would have been dead long ago. But he didn't say much about the case.

He was sick of talking about the case, of thinking about the case. He told me about when he'd been a kid in a little town in southern Italy before he'd come to America. His life before he had fallen into the ghastly trap at Brockton that May evening, six and a half years ago, had been pretty happy on the whole. He liked to talk about it.

His father was a wine and oil

merchant. Sacco worked for him when he was little, in the vineyards and the dry sunny olive orchards. But better than school or work in the fields he liked machinery. When he was fifteen he got a job stoking the donkey engine that ran the big thresher that threshed all the wheat of the region. It was about that time he began to dream of coming to America, the land of machinery.

When he was seventeen he came to America with his brother. His first job was as waterboy with a road gang. When they let him work on the steamroller, he was absolutely happy. He loved the land of machinery. When winter came on he got a job in the Hopedale Mills, and eventually, finding that an unskilled laborer was everybody's doormat, learned to run an edging machine in a shoe factory.

From then on he was pretty prosperous. He was married and had a son. He was making good money. He began to think about the people who weren't so well off as he was. He had been brought up in an atmosphere of political talk. His father, back in Torremaggiore, had been a Republican. His brother, later mayor of the town, a Socialist.

When he lived in Milford he went to Socialist meetings. But he found more intelligent men among the anarchists. They were more awake, more anxious to improve themselves, he said. So little by little he found himself allied with the local Italian anarchist groups, meeting Sundays and evenings at the Circolo de' Studie Sociale.

He was active in the Hopedale strike, was arrested for making a speech during the agitation in sympathy with the Minnesota strike in 1916. So it was inevitable that he should have been one of the first to agitate for a protest against the arrest of Salsedo and Elia in the red raids of 1920. He had a draft of a handbill for a meeting of protest against Salsedo's murder when he was arrested with Vanzetti that May night in a Boston street car.

Since then . . . six and a half years of jail. Twenty-three hours a day alone in a cell.

"I don't care how it ends if it only ends," he says.

Commutation? Pardon? I didn't dare mention them to him.

"If we had been convicted of radicalism it would have been all right," he said. "But why convict us of murder?"

Wall Street Says:

"Shares of the important railroad lines are expected to do better."—Reinhardt & Bennet.

"Prices will probably be somewhat irregular for a few days."—Hirsch, Lilenthal & Co.

"Undoubtedly there will be further running in of shorts in over-crowded positions, but we continue to favor the rails in preference to the industrials."—Jacques Cohen, Baar, Cohen & Co.

SENATOR SELLS PAPER

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Nov. 19 (By U. P.)—Purchase of the Knoxville Sentinel by the Scripps-Howard newspaper interests, owners of the Knoxville News, from United States Senator Lawrence D. Tyson was announced here today.

